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For: IMAGE PICK-UP APPARATUS AND
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METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING
IMAGE PICK-UP APPARATUS

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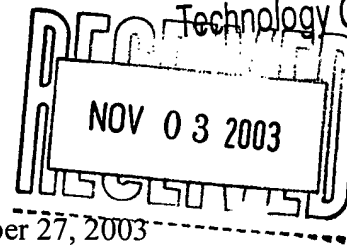
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed, together with a copy of the September 30, 2003 European Search Report citing them for European Patent Application No. 99308455.7-1235, which is a counterpart to the instant case.

For a concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document WO 98/36290, the Examiner is respectfully referred to English-language counterpart document

EP 0 932 053 A1 and to the European Search Report.

Each item of information in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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